Issues Report

First Quarter 2009

WOOD TV8- Grand Rapids, MI: WOOD TV8- Grand Rapids, MI WOGC-CA- Grand Rapids, MI

Description of programming providing the most significant treatment of community issues



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January – March 2009

<u>PROGRAM</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{DAY}}$	TIME
• 24 Hour News 8 Daybreak	Monday – Friday	5:00 - 7:00 A.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at Noon	Monday - Friday	12:00 - 1:00 P.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 5:00	Monday – Friday	5:00 - 5:30 P.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 5:30	Monday - Friday	5:30 - 6:00 P.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 6:00	Monday – Friday	6:00 - 6:30 P.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 6:00 A.M.	Saturday and Sunday	6:00 - 8:00 A.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 6:00	Saturday	6:00 - 6:30 P.M.
 Maranda Where You Live 	Saturday	6:30 - 7:00 P.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 6:00	Sunday	6:00 - 6:30 P.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 11:00	Monday – Friday	11:00 - 11:35 P.M.
• 24 Hour News 8 at 11:00	Saturday and Sunday	11:00 - 11:30 P.M.

Each program previously listed is a locally produced news programs presenting a mix of news, weather, sports and community issue related feature reports. Community issue responsive feature segments usually have duration of one- to one-and-a-half minutes, unless otherwise indicated. "Connecting with Community" is a locally produced public affairs and community resources program, emphasizing social issues, community events and programs involved with the concerns and needs in our West Michigan community. The length of the program is approximately one minute and airs Monday through Friday during News 8 at Noon, and during 24 Hour News 8 at 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. "Maranda Where You Live" is a locally produced weekly half-hour program featuring information, insights and inspiration for West Michigan parents. WOOD TV8 is simulated entirely on WOGC-CA, Grand Rapids, MI.

• NBC Nightly News Monday - Friday 6:30 - 7:00 P.M.

This is an NBC produced news program featuring news, information and perspectives on the daily events of the nation and the world. The program also features special features on issues and concerns of the nation. Each report is approximately three minutes long.

•	TODAY	Monday - Friday	7:00 - 9:00 A.M.
•	TODAY	Saturday	8:00 - 10:00 A.M.
•	TODAY	Sunday	8:00 - 9:00 A.M.

This NBC produced news program features news, interviews, weather and information segments and feature reports on issues and concerns of the American Public. The community issue segments usually are three to four minutes long.

•	Dateline NBC	Tuesday	10:00 - 11:00 P.M.
•	Dateline NBC	Friday	9:00 - 10:00 P.M.
•	Dateline NBC	Sunday	7:00-8:00 P.M.

This NBC produced news magazine program focuses on three to four issues or entertainment oriented reports in each week's program. Many of these reports are investigative stories on controversial concerns of the nation. Each runs 10 - 12 minutes.

Educational Issues

Including recognition of outstanding programs, learning styles, schools and teaching.

1. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon, Connecting with Community

Date Aired: Tuesday, January 6, 2009

Length: 1:09

Summary: The January Series of Calvin College explores a wide variety of

issues by bringing in speakers, experts and entertainers in a month long series of educational lectures open to the public.

2. Program: Maranda Where You Live Date Aired: Saturday, February 21, 2009

Length: 2:30

Summary: At Ridge Park Charter Academy everyday is a lesson in

diversity. At this school there are over 30 languages spoken and all ethnicities are represented. The school celebrates varies

cultural and religious holidays and helps teach cultural

exploration to their students.

3 Program: 24 Hour News 8 at 5:00/5:30 pm

Date Aired: Wednesday, March 4, 2008

Length: 1:03

Summary: Adults who need to learn computer skills to get back to work

may take introductory and more advanced classes for free at

the Grand Rapids Public Library. They expanded their computer lab hours because demand is so high with

unemployment on the rise.

4 Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon, Connecting with Community

Date Aired: Monday, March 9, 2008

Length: 1:04

Summary: The Literacy Center of West Michigan has 100 people on a

waiting list for reading mentors. They offer adults help in learning to read and with English as a second language. The loss of manufacturing jobs in Michigan means many need to

refine reading skills to look for jobs.

5. Program: Maranda Where You Live Date Aired: Saturday, March 28, 2009

Length: 3:00

Summary: Just because students are on spring break, it doesn't mean that

they should take a learning vacation. We visited National Heritage Academies and found out ways that you can look for

teachable moments while on vacation.

Health & Fitness Issues

Focusing on methods of illness prevention and education people in order to encourage and promote maintenance of good health.

1. Program: Maranda Where You Live Date Aired: Saturday, January 31, 2009

Length: 2:30

Summary: Many young children struggle with going to sleep at night. It

may be resistance, or it could be something more serious like a sleep disorder. In this segment we interviewed a pediatric neurologist who specializes in children's sleep disorders. He gave simple bedtime tips for parents and also insights to more

serious issues.

2. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at 6:00pm Date Aired: Tuesday, February 3, 2009

Length: 1:20

Summary: The Kids Food Basket is a program that provides nutritional

sack suppers to kids who qualify for free or reduced lunch programs at schools where a majority of the children live at or below the poverty line. An endowment honoring the program's founder is getting started to ensure the program continues.

3. Program: Maranda Where You Live Date Aired: Saturday, February 28, 2009

Length: 2:00

Summary: There are many ways to make playing with your children into

exercise. Our experts from Priority Health showed us three simple games for all ages that get the heart rate up and can

burn calories.

4. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon, Connecting with Community

Date Aired: Tuesday, March 3, 2009

Length: 1:00

Summary: Metro Health Hospital offers a free health education series,

including a seminar on sleep. This session covers snoring, insomnia and other common sleep problems, as well as some of the latest treatments for sleep disorders and the benefits of getting a good night's sleep.

5. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at 6:00pm

Date Aired: Wednesday, March 11

Length: 1:42

Summary: Employees of the YMCA use CPR skills and an AED to save the

life of WOOD TV director Tom Turner. He suffered a major heart event while playing basketball at the Y. A call goes out to more organizations to train employees and have AED's on site.

Volunteer Efforts

Programs highlighting individual volunteers or volunteer organizations in West Michigan, encouraging others to share their time and talents with those in need.

1. Program: Maranda Where You Live Date Aired: Saturday, January 9, 2009

Length: 2:30

Summary: Thornapple Kellogg Middle School students spent the month of

December raising money for Helen DeVos Children's Hospital. Through out the month the students did fundraisers, bake sales and special in school promotions to help raise money for kids in need. The month ended with a large school assembly and a check presentation to the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital.

2. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon, Connecting with Community

Date Aired: Wednesday, January 20, 2009,

Length: 1:02

Summary: The Kent County Tax Credit Coalition is a group of trained

volunteers who help seniors and low to moderate income families and individuals prepare their income tax returns.

3. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at, Noon, Connecting With Community

Date Aired: Monday, February 23, 2009

Length: 1:10

Summary: Volunteers and supporters of Catholic Charities West Michigan,

a local food pantry and meal program, come out by the thousands to raise funds to keep this program growing.

4. Program: 24 Hour News 8 Noon, 6pm

Date Aired: Tuesday, February 24, and Sunday, March 1, 2009

Length: 1:35

Summary: Octogenarian Dwight Kellar is the youngest on his team of

Walking Walkers who are raising funds to support Gilda's Club Grand Rapids, a cancer support community for those with cancer, their friends and families. Dwight, who is living with two forms of cancer, wants people to know you're never too old

to give back.

5. Program: Maranda Where You Live Date Aired: Saturday, March 21, 2009

Length: 1:30

Local Great Clips locations teamed up with Children with Hairloss, the sole provider of hair pieces at Helen DeVos

Children's Hospital. We followed two local girls who decided to

donate their hair for a great cause.

Safety

Programs that promote safety in homes and for families in West Michigan communities.

1. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon

Date Aired: January 15, 2009

Length: 1:03

Summary: A free health and wellness fair is set up at the Boys and Girls

club of Kalamazoo and a free kids fire safety event is set up in

Grandville. Both invited kids and families to get safety

information to take home.

2. Program: Maranda Where You Live Date Aired: Saturday, January 18, 2009

Length: 2:30

Summary: When kids head outside to play this winter there are a lot of

safety precautions to take. From bundling up to prevent

hypothermia to staying hydrated there are many things parents need to remember before sending their kids outside to play.

3. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon, Connecting with Community

Date Aired: Friday, February 20, 2009

Length: 1:05

Summary: With spring right around the corner, the Kent County Sheriff's

Department teams up with the boat show to put on boating safety classes for kids and families. This one day session

provides a free boating safety certification.

4. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon, Connecting with Community

Date Aired: Wednesday, March 18, 2009

Length: 1:17

Summary: The Safe Kids Coalition along with area fire departments host

Car Seat Safety Inspections for free. Drive your vehicle with your child in his or her safety seat and they will walk through safety guidelines with you and make sure your seat complies.

5. Program: 24 Hour News 8 at Noon

Date Aired: January 27, 2009

Length: 1:14

Summary: The Child and Family Resource Council offers help to prevent

injuring babies by shaking them. They provide tips for

handling babies with care and for calming a crying baby, and education about the potentially devastating affects shaking can

have on a babies health and future.